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Department of Juvenile Justice Will Award Grants for Prevention Programs
Funds will support collaborative, community-based delinquency prevention efforts

FRANKFORT, Ky. (June 8, 2018) – The Department of Juvenile Justice will begin accepting applications for the Title II Formula Grants Program funding. These grants support collaborative initiatives that focus on delinquency prevention and assisting in keeping low-level juvenile offenders out of the criminal justice system.

Approximately \$300,000 will be available through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention through the United States Department of Justice and administered through a sub-grant process overseen by the authorized agency for Kentucky, the Kentucky Department of Juvenile Justice. A maximum of \$100,000 will be given to each chosen program. These funds have been earmarked for public or private non-profit organizations and/or for city or county governments that provide direct care services to discernable at-risk youth, ages 10 -15.

These funds should be used to support collaborative, community-based delinquency prevention efforts that are designed to keep at-risk youth and low-level non-serious offenders from entering or re-entering the juvenile justice system. A current primary focus of the Commonwealth is the minimization of incarceration for low-level public and status offenders. Another key focus is to expand and maintain viable, evidence-based prevention programs that can assist with the community-intervention and/or integration of targeted youth population(s).

In order to be eligible to apply for this grant funding, at least one (1) pertinent staff from the applicant organization/agency must attend one of the mandatory regional Title II Pre-Application trainings that will be held throughout the State from June 18 to June 21st. Please check on the DJJ or JJAB website for exact dates, times and locations of these trainings.

The application will be released on June 15, 2018. The application can be accessed from June 15 through July 5, 2018, via the Department of Juvenile Justice website at <http://djj.ky.gov> or via the Juvenile Justice Advisory Board website at <http://www.ijab.ky.gov>. The deadline to apply is 2:30 p.m. July 5, 2018.

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